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BRITISH PUT BIG FAITH IN ARMY'S NEW 'TANKS'

Even Greater Efficiency Expected from Huge Cars, Says Lloyd George

London, Oct. 12.—The British public has displayed unabated interest in the doings of the "tanks" at the front and curiosity regarding their history.

The subject was raised in the House of Commons to-night, when Mr. Lloyd George, War Secretary, again gave primary credit to Colonel Winston Spencer Churchill, former First Lord of the Admiralty, Churchill's energy and enthusiasm, he said, were mainly responsible for bringing the idea into practical operation, by making the necessary experiments when he was head of the Admiralty, and appointing a committee to carry out suggestions.

Mr. Lloyd George said he hoped that with further experience the efficiency of the "tanks" would become even greater.

"MADAM BUTTERFLY" FACES BALTIMORE BAN

Law Forbids "Star Spangled Banner" in Opera

Baltimore, Oct. 12.—Just as the Aborn English Opera Company was planning to put on "Madam Butterfly" at the Lyric on Saturday it was discovered that a recently enacted city ordinance might make the production of the opera an impossibility in Baltimore for all time unless presented in a form horribly mangled by the police censors.

The ordinance reads:

"The 'Star-Spangled Banner' shall not be played, sung or rendered in Baltimore in any public place or at any public entertainment, or in any theatre, except as an entire and separate composition or number, without embellishments of national or other melodies."

Unfortunately the opera contains throughout its score repetitions of the anthem, and Chief of Police Carter is taking no chances.

GERMANS PURSUE RUMANIAN ARMY

Beaten Forces Flee to Border—Bulgars Recapture Cerna Town

(By Cable to The Tribune.)

London, Oct. 12.—The Rumanians still are giving way before Falkenhayn. Berlin announces to-night that King Ferdinand's troops are being pursued on the whole eastern Transylvania front. An encircling attack in the Maros Valley compelled the Rumanians to fall back from positions in that region.

On the northern and southern borders the Rumanians are strongly entrenched and are putting up a fierce resistance. Falkenhayn's forces vainly assailed the Rumanian positions between Kelemen and Buxeu, in the north, and the lines east of Cainen, south of Hermannstadt. On both sides of Vulcan Pass the Rumanians attempted to advance to-day, but the enemy's fire drove them back to their former lines.

On the main roads running south from Kronstadt the Rumanians appear to be standing firm. It is this fact which leads observers to predict that Hindenburg's great project is likely to meet with a resistance not anticipated.

Every day sees the reinforcement of the Rumanians. Not only are King Ferdinand's reserves being rushed into action in the threatened district, but Russian troops are being poured into Transylvania to bolster their ally's lines. General Averesco has been relieved of the Dobruja command and has taken charge in Transylvania, indicating the importance attached to these operations and Bucharest's confidence that Mackensen has been effectively checked.

The astonishing thing, in the opinion of critics here, is that Russia can spare men both for the Transylvanian and the Macedonian operations—for reports received here to-night say that a new contingent of Russians has been landed at Salonica.

The Allies are putting forth their greatest efforts to win a decision on this front before the winter sets in. Sarraill's troops are advancing steadily on the Struma front. The country has now been completely cleared up to the outskirts of Seres, which is threatened with investment by the wedge which the British have driven across the Struma between it and Demir Hisar. Seres is still strongly held by the Bulgars.

On the left wing of the Macedonian line the Serbs have been compelled to surrender the village of Brod, in the Dobruja, but their position still remains excellent for a dash on Menastir, less than seven miles away.

Official Statements on Balkan Fighting

Bucharest, Oct. 12.—To-day's official report says:

On the Northern and Northwestern fronts, between Kelemen and Buxeu, as far as Bran, our troops repulsed several enemy attacks. At Coti (east of Cainen) an attack of the enemy was repulsed. On the remainder of the front as far as the Danube there were artillery and infantry engagements.

Berlin, Oct. 12.—To-day's official statement says:

In the Maros Valley the enemy was unable to resist an encircling attack. Further north also he is beginning to retreat. He is being pursued on the whole Eastern Transylvanian front.

The 2d Rumanian Army has been driven back to the frontier positions. In mountain battles during the last two days we have captured 18 officers, 639 men, 1 4-inch cannon, 5 machine guns, much ammunition and many rifles. Enemy advances on both sides of Vulcan Pass were repulsed.

Macedonia—Numerous enemy attacks on the Cerna failed. West and east of the River Vardar the enemy made fruitless advances.

Sofia, Oct. 11 (via London, Oct. 12).—To-day's official report says:

From Lake Presba to the Cerna River there was weak artillery activity. In the Cerna bend the artillery fire was

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WINTER NO STOP TO SOMME DRIVE

Allies Will Go On, Says Gen. Maurice—Can Use Cavalry Soon

(By Cable to The Tribune.)

London, Oct. 12.—Winter will not stop the Allied drive in the west. This is the opinion expressed to-day by Major General F. B. Maurice, chief director of military operations.

"Fighting merely will be restricted according to the shortage of daylight," he said. "Don't forget that the French and Germans in 1871 fought a battle at Bapaume in January."

"Momentarily the advantage of ground on the western front has passed to the Germans," he continued. This explains apparently the lull on the western front, although local activities by Haig and Joffre still keep the Germans on the jump.

"Our hardest fight was the capture of Thiepval ridge," said the general. "This taken, we drove back the Germans until finally they were obliged to take up positions along the low ridge before Bapaume. We are fighting in the valley until we succeed in gaining these heights overlooking Bapaume."

General Maurice emphasized the fact that the present fighting constitutes a race between German trench digging capacity and Allied power of advance. Pointing to one of the wonderful maps, which the British staff is all the time producing, he compared the great maze of trenches around Thiepval with the narrow line representing German fortifications behind Bapaume.

"Every move we make we find the obstacles opposed to us less severe, while our rate of progress becomes correspondingly quicker," he continued. "But I wish to emphasize the point that we are not anticipating any sudden collapse or break of the German line. We are aiming at a slow, deliberate, pushing movement which all the time is increasing the length of the German line, making their problem of defence more difficult. Moreover, the time must soon arrive when the enemies' trenches will be three or four thousand yards apart; then the opportunity will come to use our cavalry."

Aged Jeweller Ends Life

Frederick W. C. Nieberg, a retired wholesale jeweller, formerly in business at 12 John Street, was found dead yesterday morning in his bedroom, at 78 Argle Road, Brooklyn. One end of a gas tube was clenched between his teeth when his daughter, Miss Alma Nieberg, discovered the body. Nieberg, who was seventy-five years old, had been suffering from rheumatism.

1,700 AUSTRIANS CAPTURED IN DAY

Italians Beat Back Four Attacks in Trentino and the Tyrol

London, Oct. 12.—Through the gap in the Austrian line cut in yesterday's rush the Italians are moving forward steadily on the Carso plateau. From the Wipplach River to the coast line they forged forward to-day, taking 1,700 more prisoners.

Halted after the great offensive that won Gorizia, Cadorna's men seem to have opened the way for a continuation of the drive toward Trieste. Fortifications that blocked their road for the last month have been smashed. In the operations since the Trieste thrust was reopened, in August, they have taken more than 30,000 prisoners.

The Austrians, whose hold on the two railways to Trieste was threatened by the Italian advance over the Dobrodo plateau, built a series of strong trenches beyond. In their attack yesterday, however, Cadorna's forces crashed through the whole network and advanced beyond.

Austrians Launch Attacks

In an effort to divert the Italians from their thrust on the Carso the Austrians launched heavy attacks to-day in the Trentino and the Tyrol. In the Valley of the Vancé they opened back by the Italians.

The Italian announcement says: "On the Asiago Plateau a few Italian detachments penetrated enemy trenches in the Casera Zebio region, wrecked the positions and returned to their own lines. In the direction of the source of the Vancé on Tuesday evening, after intense artillery preparation, the enemy launched four successive attacks of ever-increasing violence against our positions on Bussa Alta (Dolomites). Bersaglieri and Alpine troops, rivaling each other in courage, each time were inspired by the impetuosity of the enemy, and counter-attacked them at the point of the bayonet, compelling them to flee and capturing thirty-seven prisoners."

Enemy's Attack Repulsed.

"On the front of the Julian Alps there were artillery duels, which were hindered during the morning by the density of the fog. The enemy with fresh troops launched a series of attacks upon the most important points in the line which we had captured east of Vertobizza, on the Carso. Attacked by the fire of our artillery, they were repulsed each time, incurring serious losses."

"During the afternoon our infantry, by new and vigorous assaults, enlarged and completed the conquest of the previous day, especially in the zone of Sober, Gorizia and on the slopes of hills 343 and 144 to the east of the village of Navavilla. On the Carso we have taken an additional 1,771 prisoners, including thirty-five officers."

"In all we captured on the front of the Julian Alps from August 6 to the present time a total of 30,881 prisoners, of whom 725 were officers."

LONDON HAS MUCH MONEY

Its Finances Unimpaired by War, Says Canneries Man

"Industry in Europe will continue to grow after the war," said Isidore Jacobs, president of the California Canneries Company, addressing the Rotary Club at the Hotel McAlpin yesterday. Mr. Jacobs has just returned from the war zone.

"I found in London," he said, "so far as financial conditions are concerned, that one would hardly know there was a war. Some 3,000,000 women and girls are now earning about \$10 a week who before the war earned nothing. Money is plentiful and freely spent."

FRENCH WIDENING GAINS ON SOMME

New Advances Threaten to Pocket Chaulnes and Saily-Saillisel

London, Oct. 12.—The French pressed forward south, and the British and French north of the Somme to-day, making progress in their drives against the Bethune road and Chaulnes. The British also made local attacks near Thiepval and along the Le Sars-Guedecourt lines and successful raids on the enemy's positions in other sectors.

By advancing west of Saily-Saillisel, Foch's troops have repeated against that position the pocketing movement that brought about the fall of Comblès and other places. This success has also opened the way for a joint operation south of Transloy to drive the Germans out of their positions on the two-mile stretch of the Bethune road lying south of Transloy.

The French also moved forward from their new lines east of Vermandovillers and penetrated further into the village of Ablaincourt, two miles northeast of Chaulnes. If the French can win the whole of Ablaincourt the drive against Chaulnes can be prosecuted from the north as well as the west, and that town will fall into a pocket. House-to-house fighting of the most desperate character is still raging in Ablaincourt, with the battle favoring the French.

Fighting on West Front as Told by War Offices

Berlin, Oct. 12.—To-day's official report says:

Army Group of Prince Rupprecht—On both sides of the Somme the battle continued. On the whole front between the Ancre and the Somme the artillery firing was unusually intense. British infantry attacks northeast of Thiepval and from the Le Sars-Guedecourt line failed for the most part before our curtain of fire.

Toward evening strong attacks were delivered from the Morval-Bouchaves front. They were continued until the early hours of the morning. The enemy advanced six times against the positions held by the 68th Infantry Regiment and the 7th Reserve Infantry Regiment near Saily. All of his efforts were fruitless. Our positions were maintained completely.

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Paris, Oct. 12.—This afternoon's official report says:

South of the Somme and in the Wevre there was reciprocal artillery activity. On the rest of the front the night passed comparatively quiet.

To-night's official report says:

North of the Somme we progressed to west of Saily-Saillisel. South of the Somme there was an active artillery duel, but no infantry action.

In the Vosges, by a successful surprise attack, we captured eleven prisoners. Our artillery bombarded an

asphyxiating gas manufactory near Mulhausen, starting a great fire.

London, Oct. 12.—To-day's official report says:

South of the Ancre there is nothing to report. During the night five raids were undertaken by us in the Messines, Bois Grenier and Haisnes areas, in the course of which we took prisoners and inflicted casualties on the enemy.

To-night's official communication says:

This afternoon we delivered an attack on the low heights which intervene between our front and the Bapaume-Peronne road. We have already secured successes and captured a number of prisoners during the course of the fighting, which continues.

During the day the enemy shelled heavily our trenches northeast of Le Sars and north of Courcellette.

Though the weather is unfavorable for aircraft, there has been bombing activity during the last two days by our aeroplanes against enemy's lines of communication, aerodromes and infantry on the march. One of our machines has not returned.

EIGHT PLAGUE CASES OUTSIDE NEW YORK

Holiday Prevents Report on Disease in Greater City

No infantile paralysis figures were given out yesterday by the Department of Health, on account of the holiday.

Eight new cases were reported in the state outside New York City. There were one each in Warren, Nassau, Seneca and Orange Counties, and two each in Chemung and Sullivan Counties.

New Jersey showed an increase of six cases yesterday. Seventeen were reported, as follows: Vineland and Plainfield, three each; Atlantic City, Emerson Borough, Gloucester City, Avalon Borough, Bridgeton, Fairfield Township, Irvington, Newark, Hamilton Township, Trenton and Aven Borough, one each.

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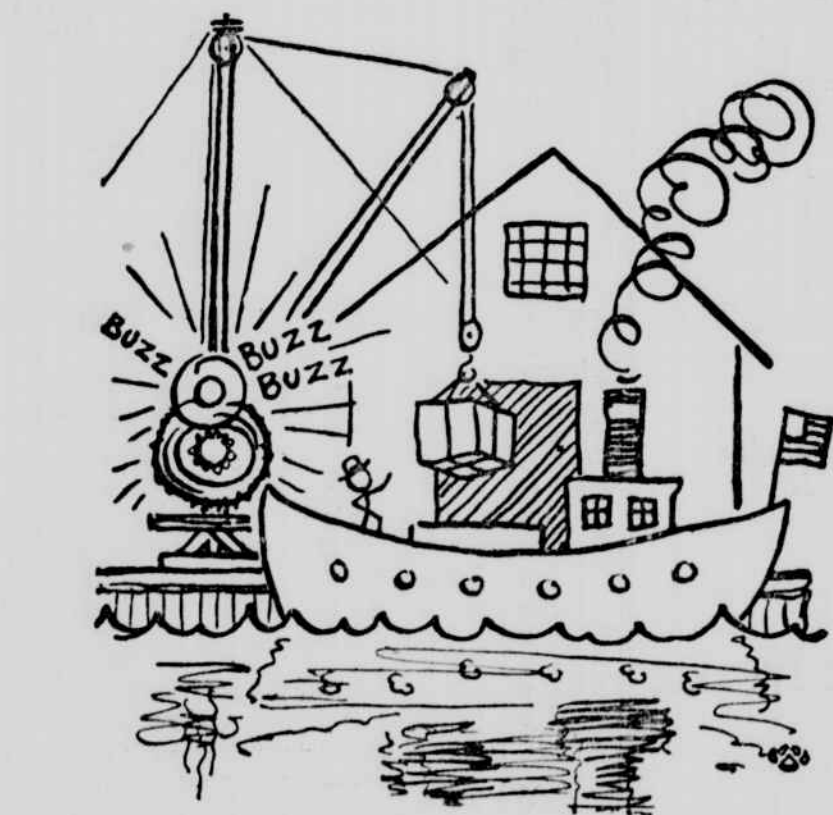
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